

Amendments to the Specification:

Please add the following paragraph between the title and the first line of text as follows:

This application claims priority to GB 0226685.6, filed November 15, 2002, the subject matter of which is incorporated herein in its entirety by reference thereto.

BACKGROUND

On page 3, between lines 8 and 9, insert the following section heading:

SUMMARY

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 9, with the following rewritten paragraph:

According to the present invention there is provided a sealing arrangement for sealing a leakage gap between relatively moveable parts in a flow path between a region of high fluid pressure and a region of low fluid pressure comprising a sealing member having an upstream surface, a downstream surface, a radially outer surface and a radially inner surface, ~~said the~~ sealing member being in communication with a housing via resilient means wherein the resilient means is fixedly joined to the upstream surface of the sealing member such that during operation both the radial force induced on the sealing member by fluid flowing axially into and circumferentially over the radially inner surface and the axial force induced on the sealing member because of a pressure difference across the sealing member is resisted by the resilient means.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 26, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The sealing arrangement comprises a ring of sealing members, which may be continuous or segmented. ~~Said The~~ segments may interconnect or simply abut one another. The sealing arrangement comprises a housing rigidly fixed to, in this example, the stator and

located at the interface between the stator and the rotor. The housing provides support and location for a resilient means, such as a ~~spring~~spring cantilever. The resilient means in turn supports a sealing member. A large pressure drop across the sealing arrangement will induce large axial forces on the sealing member. The resilient means provides axial support for the sealing member, thereby preventing the sealing member from becoming forced and locked against the downstream side of the housing.

On page 4, between lines 24 and 25, insert the following section heading:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The first shaft 30 is ~~rotatably~~rotatably supported by bearings 34 at the upstream end of the shaft and by bearings 36 at the downstream end. First and second static members 38 and 40 support the bearings 34 and 36 respectively, which are in communication with a static section of the inner wall 20. The second shaft 32 is ~~rotatably~~rotatably supported by bearings 42 at the upstream end of the shaft and by bearings 44 at the downstream end. A sealing arrangement 46 is fixedly attached to the inner diameter of the second shaft 32 between ~~said~~the bearings 42 and 44. A sealing arrangement 48 is fixedly attached to stator vanes 14.

Please replace the Abstract with the attached amended Abstract.